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1. NOW APPEARS CERTAIN THAT ELIOT FELD BALLET WILL TOUR ARA UNDER DEPARTMENT AUSPICES WITH CONCERT ARRANGEMENTS BEING MADE THROUGH ALEJANDRO SZTERENFELD.
2. UNDERSTAND FEBRUARY 12 EL TIEMPO ARTICLE NOTES PLANS GOING AHEAD BRING SAN FRANCISCO BALLET TO BOGOTA WITH SUPPORT OF USIS AMONG OTHERS.
3. DEPARTMENT/SZTERENFELD PLANNING INCLUDE BOGOTA ON FELD TOUR END MAY.
4. IF SAN FRANCISCO VISIT SEEMS REASONABLY CERTAIN, DEPARTMENT WOULD PREFER DELETING BOGOTA FROM FELD SCHEDULE SINCE TIME BADLY NEEDED INCLUDE OTHER COUNTRIES.
5. SZTERENFELD FEELS TWO AMERICAN BALLETS LESS THAN SIX

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WEEKS APART WILL TAKE AUDIENCES FROM EACH OTHER. WOULD

APPRECIATE EMBASSY VIEWS. IF SAN FRANCISCO PROJECT TAKES
PLACE, WILL POST BE ABLE GIVE FULL FACILITATIVE SUPPORT TO

FELD?

6. ADVISE SOONEST SINCE SZTERENFELD WILL BEGIN NEGOTIATING
CONCERT DATES NEXT WEEK.

7. FYI. SZTERENFELD ALSO PLANNING BRING MURRAY LOUIS
DANCE COMPANY TO BOGOTA UNDER COMMERCIAL ARRANGEMENTS IN
JULY. (SPECIFIC DATES NOT YET FIRM). END FYI. INGERSOLL

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